



A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE

RELATING TO PUBLIC TRANSIT FARES.

BE IT ORDAINED by the People of the City and County of Honolulu:

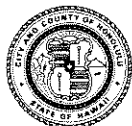
SECTION 1. The purpose of this ordinance is to authorize the council to suspend public transit fares for periods of up to one fiscal year.

SECTION 2. Section 13-2.6, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 1990 ("Suspension of fares for promotional and demonstration purposes"), is amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

- "(a) The council shall have the authority to suspend, by resolution passed on one reading, the fare structure or any part thereof in Section 13-2.1 and/or the fare in Section 13-4.5 for:
- (1) Promotional purposes for a period not exceeding one week; provided, that any such suspension of the fare structure and/or fare shall not decrease the total average monthly fare collection of the city bus system, the city ferry system, or the special transit service, as appropriate, when full fares are collected, by more than five percent; and provided further, that such suspension shall be for the purposes of promoting the public ridership of the city bus system and/or the city ferry system and/or ridership of the city's special transit service by eligible persons.

If a private organization requests, pursuant to this subdivision, that the department of transportation services suspend bus fares and/or ferry fares and/or the special transit fare to promote the city's transit bus and/or city ferry and/or special transit service as part of that organization's function or event, the organization shall submit a request in writing to the department of transportation services for the suspension of the fares. In its written request, the organization shall:

- (A) Provide proof that it is a nonprofit organization exempt or qualified for an exemption from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code;
- (B) Submit a current audited financial statement of its organization and, if the organization was required to file a federal income tax return for that year, to submit its federal income tax return for the year prior to the submittal of the request;



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- (C) Submit a statement describing the scope of its events and activities, and copies of all of the required approvals and permits which the organization must obtain in order to hold the function or event;
- (D) Demonstrate the community benefits the city will gain from the promotion; and
- (E) Demonstrate that a minimum of 30,000 persons will participate over a 24-hour period in the events and activities related to the organization's function or event;

[and]

- (2) Demonstration projects for a period not exceeding 180 days; provided, that such suspension of the fare structure and/or the special transit service fares shall be for the purpose of demonstrating the need for bus services and/or ferry services and/or special transit service, the economic viability of the demonstration projects, and operational efficiencies of the city's bus system and/or the city's ferry system and/or the city's special transit service; and provided further, that a minimum of 50 percent of the promotional, marketing and operating cost of such demonstration project shall be funded from private sector sources other than the city. The private sector sources shall make a commitment to the city prior to the approval of the demonstration project that they will fund their share of the costs of the demonstration project.

Organizations that are eligible to request a demonstration project involving the suspension of fares include the department of transportation services, other government agencies, private firms, business organizations, community groups, or any combination of the foregoing organizations. Organizations shall submit in writing a request to the department of transportation services that a demonstration project be conducted. In its request, the organization shall demonstrate the community benefits, such as increased mobility, stimulation of the economy, and improved convenience to bus riders and/or ferry riders and/or special transit service riders, that will be gained as a result of the demonstration [project.] project; and

- (3) Demonstration projects for a period not exceeding 365 days to begin July 1 of the year the resolution is adopted by the council; provided that such suspension of the fare structure and/or the special transit service fares shall



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be for the purpose of demonstrating the impact of bus services, ferry services, and/or special transit service on traffic congestion, the fiscal viability of the demonstration projects, and/or the impact of fare suspensions on operational efficiencies of the city's bus system, the city's ferry system, and/or the city's special transit service; and provided further, that the council shall adopt the resolution concurrently with final passage of the budget ordinances."

SECTION 3. Ordinance material to be repealed is bracketed and new material is underscored. When revising, compiling or printing this ordinance for inclusion in the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu, the revisor of ordinances need not include the brackets, the bracketed material or the underscoring.



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SECTION 4. This ordinance shall take effect upon approval.

INTRODUCED BY:

Barbara Marshall

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

OCT 30 2007

Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

David M. H. Marshall
Deputy Corporation Counsel

APPROVED this 6th day of March, 2008.

Mufi Hannemann
MUFU HANNEMANN, Mayor
City and County of Honolulu

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Introduced: 10/30/07 By: BARBARA MARSHALL

Committee: BUDGET

Title: A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO PUBLIC TRANSIT FARES.

Links: [BILL 80 \(2007\)](#)
[CR-424](#)

COUNCIL	11/07/07	BILL PASSED FIRST READING AND REFERRED TO BUDGET COMMITTEE.			
	APO E	CACHOLA Y	DELA CRUZ Y	DJOU Y	GARCIA Y
	KOBAYASHI Y	MARSHALL Y	OKINO Y	TAM Y	
BUDGET	11/28/07	CR-424 - BILL REPORTED OUT OF COMMITTEE FOR PASSAGE ON SECOND READING AND SCHEDULING OF A PUBLIC HEARING.			
PUBLISH	12/01/07	PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE PUBLISHED IN THE HONOLULU STAR BULLETIN.			
COUNCIL/PUBLIC HEARING	12/12/07	CR-424 ADOPTED, BILL PASSED SECOND READING, PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED AND REFERRED TO BUDGET COMMITTEE.			
PUBLISH	12/19/07	SECOND READING NOTICE PUBLISHED IN THE HONOLULU STAR BULLETIN.			
BUDGET	01/09/08	BILL DEFERRED IN COMMITTEE.			
BUDGET	02/06/08	CR-36 (2008) - BILL REPORTED OUT OF COMMITTEE FOR PASSAGE ON THIRD READING.			
COUNCIL	02/20/08	CR-36 (2008) ADOPTED AND BILL 80 (2007) PASSED THIRD READING.			
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I hereby certify that the above is a true record of action by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu on this BILL.


DENISE C. DE COSTA, CITY CLERK


BARBARA MARSHALL, CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER